

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: SREF  
SUBJECT: INDOCHINESE REFUGEES: VERIFYING REFUGEE MARRIAGES IN  
THE CAMPS

REF: (A) BANGKOK 11880 (B) HONG KONG 5210

1. THERE ARE CURRENTLY IN THAILAND 15 CASES INVOLVING  
52 INS-APPROVED REFUGEES WHO ARE AWAITING A DEPARTMENT-  
INS/CO RESOLUTION OF HOW TO VERIFY CAMP MARRIAGES FOR  
IMMIGRATION PURPOSES. OF THIS TOTAL, 10 CASES AND 32  
REFUGEES HAVE SPONSORSHIPS. WE WOULD LIKE TO MOVE THE  
SPONSORED REFUGEES TO THE UNITED STATES AS QUICKLY AS  
POSSIBLE.

2. THE ESSENCE OF THE PROBLEM IS THAT SINCE REFUGEES  
ARE NOT IN THAILAND LEGALLY, THE RTG CANNOT ISSUE ANY  
DOCUMENTS CERTIFYING EVENTS SUCH AS MARRIAGE. REFUGEES  
THEORETICALLY DO NOT COME UNDER THAI LAW. FOLLOWING THE  
SUGGESTION IN REF B, WE CONTACTED THE MINISTRY OF INTERIOR  
SO FAR WITHOUT RESULT, ABOUT PERMITTING SOME SORT OF REFUGEE  
MARRIAGE REGISTRATION PROCEDURE.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: AN EARLY DETERMINATION OF HOW TO  
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BREAK THIS IMPASSE SO THAT REFUGEES BLOCKED FROM  
DEPARTURE BY AN INS REQUIREMENT FOR A CERTIFICATE CAN LEAVE  
FOR THE UNITED STATES.  
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## Message Attributes

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